

**AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:**

Please amend the abstract on page 31:

~~The present invention provides an~~ An image shooting apparatus capable of accurately connecting split images while avoiding increase in the size of the apparatus is described. The stop positions of an image forming portion 10 is detected on the order equal to the pixel pitch, the shift amounts of the shot split images are obtained from the shift amounts of the stop positions of the image forming portion 10, and for each split image, the address is converted to a normal address based on the shift amount.